

Busy Mother, Civic Leader, Nurse Describes Mrs. McVey

Mrs. Naomi McVey, Park and Recreation commissioner running for City Council, urges master planning of parks and acquisition of new park sites now. She warns that land for parks is "almost gone." She emphasizes "get the land before it is too late." She points out the number and size of present facilities are not adequate for the size of Torrance. She calls on residents to actively work and campaign for the needed parks and recreation by selecting representatives for city council that believe in recreation for all people.

A long range solution to the park shortage and development of existing parks is the criteria of Torrance today. Evaluation of studying methods of improving sites with available funds should be available now, she said.

ACCORDING TO Mrs. McVey problems involved are which park sites now owned by the city should have priority for development and how to get funds to make developments. She advocates a proposed master plan for city parks which would include an itemized budget for development of the total number of presently undeveloped park land, plus a specific list of which activi-

ties would take place in each area of each facility. The multipurpose recreation building behind Benstead plume that will be occupied by Oct. 1 will be an ideal place for the youth of the community to hold their activities. She urges greater variety of activities for teenagers. She named possibilities as theater groups, golf clubs, and swim groups.

SUGGEST THAT other areas be contacted to find out how their youth centers operate, particularly Long Beach "Hutch" who has gained national attention for his successful youth program, she advised. She believes adequate recreation and park facilities enrich the city. They make it more attractive to industry and to families. They raise property values. They conserve residential neighborhoods. They satisfy basic needs of citizens. She believes speed is of the essence if Torrance is to obtain proper sites and keep costs at a minimum. She believes through cooperative planning and investment Torrance can develop a total balanced system of community park, recreation, civic and cultural city.

A RESIDENT of Torrance

for the past 12 years, Mrs. McVey has been active in all facets of community life. She is now moderator of Torrance Educational Advisory committee, past president of the Torrance Council of Parent Teacher Assn., charter member of YWCA, past president of Eta Kappa Chapter ESA sorority, executive board of Red Cross, and recently received the "Citizen of the Year" Award sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.

She also has received the Life Membership award given by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers for outstanding service to youth of the community.

She has played an active part in city government by devoting the past five years as a recreation commissioner, and served on the bond drive for a park and recreation fund of \$3,000,000; on a committee to recommend priority improvements for undeveloped city parks; on a committee to evaluate future park sites; as a member of the Civic Center planning committee, and chairman of Konya Days activities honoring our adopted sister city Konya, Turkey.

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AT WORK ... Mrs. Naomi McVey, busy housewife, civic leader, and nurse, is shown on duty at Little Company of Mary Hospital where she is charged with the orientation of all nursing personnel. Mrs. McVey is one of three women making a bid for election to the City Council.

Students Win Awards

Three North High School students have received journalism awards in two recent writing contests for high school journalism students.

First place trophy for news writing was awarded to Frances Whiteman and an honorable mention certificate to Joanne Huss at the ninth annual El Camino Press Day.

KEY ADDRESS was delivered by Rear Adm. W. C. Chambliss, USN (Ret.) to the over 200 South Bay area students attending. All students competed in either news, feature, editorial or sports writing.

Sandra Peterson won a 10th place award in editorial competition at the 11th annual National Assn. of Journalism Directors writing contest held at Canoga Park.

LYNNE HANSON and Toni Sheets placed in the semi-finals in the same category. Over 400 Los Angeles area

journalism students attended. All competed in news writing and then competed in either feature, editorial or sports.

Other North High students attending the "on the spot" contest at Canoga Park High School were Ronnie Wilson, Kathy Golphene, and Pam Ferrier.

Man Battles Window Shade, Loses Struggle

A 20-year-old Torrance resident injured his hand Saturday when he fell through a window while putting up a window shade at his home.

Frederick Norman Slater, 20, of 17109 Crenshaw Blvd., suffered a severed artery in his right hand and was treated at Harbor General Hospital, police said. The accident occurred about 6:45 p.m.

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